

"The 'Sanitary Inspection Service' consists of a chief officer, five district inspectors, and thirty ordinary nuisance inspectors, each of whom has a section of one of the five districts into which the city has been divided under his charge. Their duty is to ascertain, by personal investigation, the sanitary condition of each lane, court, close, stair, ash-pit, etc., in the quarters to which they are appointed. Their inspection is to be conducted with a view especially to cleanliness, ventilation, sewage, paving, and the prompt removal of all filth or offensive matter, so as to prevent as much as possible the pollution of the air breathed by the inhabitants. It will also be the duty of the ordinary nuisance inspector to report to the chief inspector any structural defects, while pointing out to the owners, factors, or occupants such means as are readily available for the removal of sanitary abuses connected with their dwellings. When such suggestions are not attended to, he is to report all such cases of neglect to his district inspector, who will then take the matter up in a more or less compulsory form. In addition to this staff, special inspectors are appointed for epidemics, for lodging-houses, houses 'ticketed' for overcrowding, for bakehouses, for workshops, and unwholesome meat. These special inspectors, like the others, will conduct their mission by constant personal visitation, with the Acts of Parliament and instructions consistent therewith in their hands; and while using all kindly and persuasive influence to enforce the requirements of the law and the public good, will report to the district inspectors with a view to more stringent measures. The laws for the regulation of workshops and the suppression of unwholesome meat were never so likely of being enforced as they will be under the active rule now inaugurated. A staff of 'female visitors' has also been employed, whose duty it is to visit and instruct the poorer classes as to cleanliness of person, of children, of beds, and houses; and to give lessons, if need be, in sewing, bed-making, clothes-mending, and other domestic labours. In addition to this large and diversified inspecting and visiting service, there is a 'Cleansing Service,' consisting of a chief officer, yard men, fumigators, and washers. This bureau has a wash-house under its care, where, besides the fumigating and cleansing operations of its servants in wretched and filthy private houses, articles are sent to be washed, purified, and returned to their owners. Over all these operations, 'the Medical Service' watches and wards, and through its district officers has its eye, its word of skill, and its directing and guiding hand everywhere."

IRELAND.

MR. BRADY, M.P. for Leitrim, has been appointed a deputy lieutenant for that county.

SIR DOMINIC CORRIGAN.

It is announced on authority that Sir Dominic Corrigan will be the chosen candidate of the Liberal party for the representation of the City of Dublin. It is stated to be probable that he will enjoy a walk over on this occasion.

UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN.

THE honorary degree of LL.D. was on Wednesday conferred on General Lord Strathnairn, Lord Monk, the Chief Baron (Baron Fitzgerald), and Justices Christian and Fitzgerald; and that of M.D. on Dr. Rawdon McNamara and Inspector General Dane.

THE MEDICAL BILL.

THE refusal of the Government to allow representation of the profession in the Council, and its other defects, have rendered the Medical Bill very unpopular; but no organised efforts to procure its rejection have been attempted. It is hoped that the lateness of the session may, however, induce its promoters to postpone it until next year.

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.—THE MEDICAL BILL.

A LARGE meeting of the Fellows was held on June 25th, when the following, amongst other resolutions, was unanimously passed:—

"That inasmuch as that this College, since its foundation up to the present moment, has faithfully and efficiently discharged the duties imposed upon it by its Charters, of providing thoroughly well educated medical officers for the Military and Civil Services, it is, in the opinion of the College, most unjust now, in violation of its Charters, to pass any Act of Parliament which would interfere with its privileges; and more especially so, as the proposed Medical Act (1858) Amendment Bill

contemplates exceptional legislation in favour of other bodies, solely on the grounds, as this College is given to understand, that their prerogatives, out of respect to the Charters which these bodies possess, and in virtue of which they were incorporated, should not be interfered with." A petition to both Houses of Parliament was then adopted, which embodied the above resolution, and prayed that the amendment of the Duke of Richmond should be thrown out. A desire that the Bill may not become law this session is now very generally entertained.

THE QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

THE examinations for M.D. and M.Ch. have concluded; sixteen candidates for the former and fourteen for the latter were successful. The clinical examination in medicine was conducted by Dr. Cuming, at the South Workhouse, and that in surgery at the College of Surgeons by Dr. Mapother, the patients being brought from the admission rooms of two of the hospitals.

THE DOCTORS' INCOME TAX.

THE Chairman at Clare Sessions, last week, decided that a medical man could not claim reduction of income tax for the keeping of horses and groom, if they were used even once for any purpose not strictly professional.

VISITATION OF THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS.

ON Monday, the decision in the appeal of Dr. McSwiney to be declared a Fellow was given by the Lord Chancellor, the Chief Justice, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, and the Chief Baron.

"The visitors thought that vote by ballot was not warranted by any clause of the charter; but on the contrary, was in violation of the letter as well as the spirit of some of its provisions. . . . The visitors should, therefore, declare the bye-law void and illegal on the second ground as well as on the first. The result was, that the bye-law being in all its parts illegal, the visitors could not pronounce Dr. McSwiney duly elected a Fellow of the College, as otherwise they would have done, he having had a majority of votes at the ballot; and accordingly there should be a new election. But, as the visitors conceived that the petition was legally justified by the circumstances of the case, and must issue in advantage to the College from the ascertainment of the true principle that should govern their proceedings, they would rule that Dr. McSwiney should be indemnified in his costs out of the funds of the College; and that the costs incurred on the other side should also be paid out of the College funds."

As only three of the present Fellows have been elected without ballot, and as five are required to form the College, it is very generally thought that a new charter must be sought for the reconstruction of the body.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

NATURAL SCIENCE.—The Examiners in the Natural Science School—Professor H. J. S. Smith; E. Chapman, Esq.; and J. F. Payne, Esq.—have issued the following class list.

Class I: Walter W. Fisher, Merton; Edwin H. Lendon, University; Charles S. Taylor, Merton.

Class II: John F. Hartley, Brasenose.

Class III: John N. Burrow, Queen's.

MAGDALEN COLLEGE.—There will be an election in this College in October next to one Demyship and one Exhibition for proficiency in Natural Science. Both Demyship and Exhibition average about £83 *per annum*. They are tenable for five years. The examination will be in the principles of Chemistry, Physiology, and Physics; but a clear and exact knowledge of the principles of any one of the abovenamed branches of science will be preferred to a more general and less accurate acquaintance with more than one. No person will be eligible who shall have attained the age of twenty years, and who is not sufficiently instructed in other subjects to matriculate as a member of the College. Testimonials of good conduct will be required; and a certificate of birth and baptism, which must be presented to the President on Monday, the 3rd of October, between the hours of three and six, or eight and nine, P.M. The examination will commence on the following day. No entrance fee or caution money are required by the College. The University fees, payable on matriculation, amount to £2:10.

EDITORSHIP OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

THE office of Editor of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL is about to become vacant. Gentlemen desirous of being appointed to the same, are requested to forward their applications to the President of the Council, W. D. HUSBAND, Esq., York, on or before the 30th day of July, 1870.

T. WATKIN WILLIAMS, F.R.C.S., *General Secretary*.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION:
ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Thirty-eighth Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th of August next.

President—CHARLES CHADWICK, M.D., F.R.C.P., Senior Physician to the Leeds Infirmary.

President-elect—EDWARD CHARLTON, M.D., Senior Physician to the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Infirmary.

An *Address in Medicine* will be delivered by FRANCIS SIBSON, M.D., F.R.S., F.R.C.P., Physician to St. Mary's Hospital.

An *Address in Surgery* will be delivered by G. Y. HEATH, M.B., M.R.C.S., Surgeon to the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Infirmary.

The business of the meeting will be conducted under six Sections:

Section A. *MEDICINE*.—*President*: Dr. Embleton. *Vice-Presidents*: Dr. Simpson and Dr. Lyons. *Secretaries*: Dr. H. Barnes, Carlisle, and Dr. Morell Mackenzie, 13, Weymouth Street, London.

Section B. *SURGERY*.—*President*: Professor Lister. *Vice-Presidents*: Charles Trotter, Esq., and Timothy Holmes, Esq. *Secretaries*: Dr. Arnison, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and W. H. Favell, Esq., Sheffield.

Section C. *PHYSIOLOGY*.—*President*: Dr. A. Clark. *Vice-Presidents*: Dr. Sanderson and Dr. Hayden. *Secretaries*: T. C. Nesham, M.D., Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and J. G. McKendrick, M.D., 29, Castle Terrace, Edinburgh.

Section D. *MIDWIFERY*.—*President*: Dr. Robert Barnes. *Vice-Presidents*: Dr. Gibson and Dr. G. Hewitt. *Secretaries*: Luke Armstrong, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and J. H. Aveling, M.D., Rochester.

Section E. *PUBLIC MEDICINE*.—*President*: Dr. Rumsey. *Vice-Presidents*: Dr. Druitt and Dr. Morgan. *Secretaries*: Anthony Bell, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and Dr. A. Ransome, Bowden, Cheshire.

Section F. *PSYCHOLOGY*.—*President*: Professor Laycock, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*: Dr. Sankey and Dr. Maudsley. *Secretaries*: Grainger Stewart, M.D., Borough Asylum, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and T. Harrington Tuke, M.D., 37, Albemarle Street, London.

Notices of Motion.—The following notices have been given.

The Rev. Dr. BELL: That a Committee be appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the present constitution and operation of the Committee of Council; and whether it might not be better to have only one well constituted Council, consisting of a limited number—say fifty—to be elected by the general body of members through the medium of voting-papers: and that the Committee report to an ordinary general meeting, or to a special general meeting convened according to law.

Dr. STYRAP: That, considering the nature of the duties of the office of General Secretary, the great assistance rendered by the Honorary Local Secretaries, and the financial position of the Association, the increase of his original salary of £100 to £250 in 1866; £313 in 1867; £370 in 1868; and £364.9 in 1869, has been excessive.

That, in the opinion of this meeting, a stipend of £250 (inclusive) would be ample.

Dr. ELLIOT: That a volume of *Transactions* be annually published by this Association, to contain such essays or communications as are either too lengthy for admission into the JOURNAL, or may be deemed worthy of a more permanent record than a hebdomadal serial can secure.

Gentlemen desirous of reading papers, cases, or any other communications, are requested to give notice of the same to the General Secretary, at their earliest convenience.

T. WATKIN WILLIAMS, F.R.C.S., *General Secretary*.
13, Newhall Street, Birmingham, June 6th, 1870.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the York Hotel, Weston-super-Mare, on Tuesday, July 12th, at 12.30 P.M.; H. J. ALFORD, M.B., Taunton, President; J. CORNWALL, Esq., Ashcott, President-elect.

The members of this Branch and of the Central Somerset Medical Society are kindly invited to lunch at the West of England Sanatorium or Convalescent Home, by the medical staff of that institution, at 2 P.M.

It is proposed during the course of the afternoon to visit the Weston-super-Mare Hospital and Fever Wards, and other objects of interest.

At 4 P.M., a general meeting for papers or cases and discussion will take place at the York Hotel.

The dinner will be at the York Hotel at 6.30 P.M. A special late down train will kindly be arranged by the Bristol and Exeter Railway Company on the night of the meeting.

Gentlemen intending to be present, or wishing to read papers, are requested to communicate as early as possible with the Secretary.

W. M. KELLY, M.D., *Honorary Secretary*.

Taunton, June 21st, 1870.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held on Thursday, July 14th, 1870, at the Mineral Water Hospital, Bath, at 4.30 P.M., when C. H. COLLINS, Esq., will resign the Chair to C. BLEECK, Esq., President-elect, who will deliver an address.

Members having any communications for the meeting, are requested to give notice of them to the Secretaries.

The following resolutions will be moved:

Mr. BARTRUM and Dr. SPENDER—"That it is desirable that the number of ordinary meetings be reduced to four."

Mr. TIBBITS and Dr. BRITAN—"That any gentleman who has been black-balled by this Branch of this Association, shall not be admitted to the meetings."

The dinner will be held at the York House, Bath, at 6.30 P.M. Tickets, including ice and dessert, 7s. 6d. each. Wines at moderate charges.

The Bath Secretary particularly requests that those members who intend to be present at the dinner, will send him their names before Monday, July 11th, in order that the necessary arrangements may be completed.

R. S. FOWLER, Bath, }
CHARLES STEELE, Clifton } *Honorary Secretaries*.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE eighteenth annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Castle Hotel, Richmond, on Friday, July 22nd, at 3 P.M. *President* for 1869-70, GEORGE JOHNSON, M.D.; *President-elect* for 1870-71, T. HECKSTALL SMITH, Esq.

Dinner at the Hotel at 5.30 P.M. Tickets (exclusive of wine) 10s. 6d. each.

A. P. STEWART, M.D. }
ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D. } *Honorary Secretaries*.

75, Grosvenor Street, June 22nd, 1870.

READING BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the Reading Branch, and of the Reading Medico-Chirurgical and Pathological Societies, will be held in the Council Chamber, Reading, on Wednesday, July 30th.

The business of the Medico-Chirurgical Society will commence at 3.45 P.M.

The President of the Pathological Society will take the chair at 4 P.M. Dr. Shettle will read the annual address.

After the address, Mr. Young (the President of the Reading Branch) will take the chair.

Dinner at the George Hotel at 6 o'clock. Tickets, 15s each (comprehending the entire charge).

WM. B. YOUNG, }
GEORGE MAY, jun., } *Honorary Secretaries*.

Reading, July 4th, 1869.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE fourteenth annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Infirmary, Aylesbury, on Thursday, June 30th. There were present, CHARLES HOOPER, Esq., President, in the Chair, and eighteen other

members and visitors. The late President, Dr. Newman, not being present, the President-elect at once took the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Officers and Council.—The following were elected. *President-elect:* William Clark, M.D., Wellingborough. *Committee of Management:* F. Buzard, M.D.; C. J. Evans, Esq.; D. J. T. Francis, M.D.; J. H. Hemming, Esq.; W. Moxon, Esq.; C. E. Prior, M.D.; T. J. Walker, M.D.; R. W. Watkins, Esq. *Representatives in the General Council:* R. Ceely, Esq.; D. J. T. Francis, M.D.; A. D. Mackay, M.B.; H. Terry, jun., Esq.; R. W. Watkins, Esq. *Honorary Secretaries:* J. M. Bryan, M.D.; and G. P. Goldsmith, Esq. (Mr. Goldsmith subsequently resigned office). *Treasurer:* J. M. Bryan, M.D.

New Members.—Dr. Herbert Grove Lee of Thame, Mr. Woodford Eagles of Aylesbury, and Mr. Thomas Warren of Prince's Risborough, were elected.

Resignation of Mr. Goldsmith.—A letter was read from Mr. Goldsmith, resigning the office of Honorary Secretary. It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. HENRY TERRY, jun., seconded by Mr. CEELY, that the office be not filled up, but that Dr. Bryan be requested to take on himself the whole of the duties.

Papers, etc.—The following communications were read:—1. An Abdominal Tumour of long standing (from 1822 to the present time, the patient having died aged 83.) It was found, on *post mortem* examination, to be a hydatid tumour attached to the liver. By R. Ceely, Esq.—2. A preparation of Disease of the Heart in a Cow, showing firm membranous bands of adhesive matter between the heart and pericardium. By R. Ceely, Esq.—3. Cases of Pneumonia treated with Tincture of Arnica. By C. E. Prior, M.D. (Read, in the author's absence, by the President.)—4. Case of Placenta Prævia. By J. M. Bryan, M.D.—5. Some patients were here introduced by Messrs. Ceely and Hooper; viz.: a. A Case of Popliteal Aneurism cured by Pressure; b. Excision of the Elbow-joint; c. A Case of Immense Hypertrophy of the Cranial and other Bones after Injury.—6. Notes on Cases of Typhoid Fever. By R. H. Coombs, Esq.—7. A specimen was shown of Comminuted Compound Fracture of the Thigh-bone, passing completely through the condyles into the knee-joint. Sent by J. Carruthers, Esq., of the Northampton Infirmary.—8. A short discussion on Chloral Hydrate was instituted by Mr. Ceely.

Next Meeting.—It was decided to hold the next autumnal meeting at Stony Stratford, in September or October.

Dinner.—The members (fifteen in number) dined at the George Hotel, at 4 P.M.

EAST ANGLIAN AND CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCHES: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE annual meeting of these Branches was held in Ipswich, on Friday, June 25th, under the presidency of Dr. CHEVALLIER.

The members of the Association were most hospitably entertained at luncheon at 1.30, in the large board-room of the new East Suffolk Hospital, by the members of the medical and surgical staff. The Senior Physician, Dr. Durrant, occupied the chair, and was supported by the Chaplain to the hospital (Rev. J. B. Meadows), the President (Dr. Chevallier), and by upwards of forty members of the Association, in addition to a considerable number of medical visitors. After luncheon the company were invited to inspect the recent improvements and additions to the hospital. This building, which has but recently been reopened, has been entirely reconstructed. It is pleasantly situated upon the high grounds, at the back of the town of Ipswich, and commands a very extensive view of the valley of the Gipping and of the river Orwell. It is now capable of accommodating about one hundred in-patients, and has also an extensive out-patient department. There are a great number of small wards for the isolation of eye and other special cases, as well as wards excellently arranged for the entire separation of any cases of contagious diseases that may arise. There are also four large wards, two on each side, male and female, each containing sixteen beds. The windows on each side are of admirable dimensions, and are replete with every modern appliance. The two stoves are back to back in the centre of the ward—an arrangement which is said to be most successful in diffusing heat, and by their position adding to the comfort of the patients, enabling everyone in the ward to see the fire while in bed. In the provisions for warmth and ventilation, and in the excellent bath and water-closet accommodation in each ward they are comparable with those of any existing hospital. Hot water is circulated all over the building, and every water-closet is fitted with Jennings's patent. There is a good operating theatre, and the board-room is a room of remarkably fine dimensions.

From the hospital the members of the Association repaired to the

Town Hall, and at three o'clock the business of the general meeting commenced. The ex-President, Dr. FISHER, of Cambridge, in a few appropriate remarks introduced his successor, Dr. CHEVALLIER, who gave an address.

New Members.—The following gentlemen were proposed and elected members of the Association:—C. F. Long, Esq. (Ipswich Borough Asylum), E. C. Ling, Esq. (Saxmundham), G. Elliston, Esq. (House-Surgeon, East Suffolk Hospital), T. Pierson and J. W. Harper, Esq. (Stowmarket), F. Growse, jun., Esq. (Bildeston), A. S. Vanderbergh, Esq. (Ipswich).

Next Annual Meeting.—Dr. DURRANT proposed, Mr. SAMPSON seconded, and it was resolved that the annual meeting in 1871 of the of the Amalgamated Branches be held at Norwich, and that Dr. Eade be President-elect.

Papers, etc.—The following papers were read.—1. Dr. Eade (Norwich), The Therapeutical Action of the Hydrate of Chloral.—2. Mr. Beck (Cambridge), Hydrate of Chloral.—3. Dr. T. H. Bartlet (Ipswich), Exhibition of Case in which a portion of the Breech of a Gun was removed from the Infraorbital region; and subsequent Rhinoplasty.—4. Mr. W. Adams (Ipswich), Exhibition of a Case of Rhinoplasty after Lupus.—5. Mr. G. L. Elliston (Ipswich), Alcoholic Poisoning.—6. Dr. Durrant (Ipswich), Vertigo.—7. Dr. Elliston (Ipswich), Exhibition of a Stump after Amputation near the Knee-joint: with remarks upon the operation, and the new growth of the tibia which necessitated it.—8. Mr. W. Adams (Ipswich), on a Case of Inversion of Uterus.—An energetic discussion upon the various papers was sustained by Dr. Durrant, Mr. Smith, Mr. S. Freeman, and other members.

Pathological Specimens of two Uterine Fibrous Polypi, one weighing four and a-half ounces; of a large Polypus removed from the External Ear; and a preparation showing the Excavation in the head of the Tibia (from a New Growth and Abscess) were shewn by Dr. Elliston; and a Fibro-plastic Tumour removed from the Face, by Mr. Sampson.

Dinner.—At 6.30 the members and their medical friends dined together in the council chamber of the new Town Hall. The President (Dr. Chevallier) was supported by the Mayor of Ipswich (E. Grimwade, Esq.), the Archdeacon of Suffolk (the very Rev. R. Groome), Mr. John Birkett (London), Professor Fisher (Cambridge), Dr. Eade (President-elect), and many others.

Coffee was provided at the Henslow Museum, in order to give the members and visitors an opportunity of viewing the splendid collection of fossils abounding in the neighbourhood, which has been recently much enriched by presentations from various private collectors.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

PARIS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Paris, Monday, 4th July, 1870.

1. *Last Week's Mortality from Small-pox.*—2. *Hospital Accommodation for Small-pox Patients.*—3. *Vaccination Conferences.*—4. *The French Daily Press on Women-Doctors.*

LAST WEEK'S MORTALITY FROM SMALL-POX.—During the week which ended on Friday 1st July, the deaths from small-pox in Paris are reported in the *Bulletin Hebdomadaire de décès* to have been 210, which is 28 less than during the preceding week. With only three exceptions, however, this is the highest weekly mortality from the epidemic. In the week ending 27th May, the small-pox mortality was 218; in the week ending 18th June, it was 238; and in the week ending 24th June, it was again 238. The general mortality in Paris from all diseases, including small-pox, during the week ending 1st July, was 1220. The relative bearing of these figures will be seen by referring to my previous letters.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION FOR SMALL-POX PATIENTS.—To *Figaro* belongs the merit of obtaining reliable and official information as to how this matter stands. In his impression of 30th June, he noticed approvingly the step taken by a young physician (Dr. Monribot) in establishing a small private hospital for small-pox cases in the rue de Montreuil, which is situated in the eleventh arrondissement, a district at present the head-quarters of small-pox and misery. M. Husson, the "directeur de l'Assistance Publique", interpreting the paragraph to which I refer as an impeachment of himself and his department, sent a reclamatory letter to *Figaro*, which appeared on Saturday, 2nd July. From the official information which it gives as to the existing hospital accommodation in Paris for small-pox patients, I translate it for the readers of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL. It is to the following effect.

HOUSE OF COMMONS. — Wednesday, July 7th.

VACCINATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

MR. CANDLISH, in resuming an adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill, said that he would withdraw it if he received an assurance from the Home Secretary that a select committee should be appointed early next session to inquire into the whole subject of vaccination.

SIR M. BEACH had come down to the House prepared to argue against the Bill. It was, in his opinion, neither more nor less than a Bill which would sell indulgences to parents to break the law at the price of £3.

MR. BRUCE did not understand that his hon. friend who had brought in the Bill objected to the system of compulsory vaccination. What he said was, that unfortunately there were a number, not only of poor and uneducated people, but of persons who ought to know better, who were opposed to vaccination. He thought that it would be wise to appoint a select committee to consider the point, and if possible to suggest a remedy. There were subjects connected with vaccination which were well worthy of the consideration of a committee, and vaccine matter was one of them. [*Hear, hear.*]

DR. PLAYFAIR was quite startled that the Government should have agreed to appoint a select committee upon the subject. The appointment of the committee would cause the people of the country to think that some practical or scientific evidence was required as to the efficiency of vaccination. He thought that such a result would be disastrous, and by way of obviating if possible the formation of such an opinion, he would quote some figures to prove the good that had been done by vaccination. The number of deaths from small-pox had been vastly reduced since the compulsory law was introduced into England, and he had no doubt that were proper precautions taken the disease could be altogether destroyed. Many objections were urged against vaccination, but for the most part they were the objections that had been urged in the days of Jenner, and they had been refuted by the labours of scientific men. The advantages of vaccination had been incontestably attested, and that being the case he could not see any necessity for a committee of inquiry.

MR. GILPIN maintained that the opposition to vaccination was much stronger and deeper than was generally believed, and that many of those who objected were men of enlightenment and knowledge, who based their objections upon conscientious grounds.

After some remarks from Dr. D. Dalrymple, Dr. Brady, Colonel Sykes, Mr. Mitford, and Mr. Hibbert, the order for the reading of the Bill was discharged.

MEDICAL NEWS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England was held on Monday, July 4th, for the election of an Examiner in the place of Mr. Hilton, whose term of office had expired, but who offered himself for re-election and for a representative to the Medical Council in the place of Mr. Cæsar Hawkins, who retired, and was not desirous of re-election.

The result of the ballot for an Examiner was as follows. Of the 18 members of Council present, 12 voted for Mr. Hilton, 3 for Mr. Hancock (the next Councillor on the list), 2 for Mr. Savory, and 1 for Mr. T. Holmes. The election consequently fell on Mr. Hilton.

The election of a representative to the General Medical Council was deferred until the next meeting of Council on the 14th instant.

THE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS DINNER.

THE annual dinner of Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons took place at the Albion Tavern, Aldersgate Street, on Thursday last; John Hilton, Esq., F.R.S., in the Chair. Ninety metropolitan and provincial Fellows and visitors were present; among whom were Dr. Lush, M.P. for Salisbury; Dr. Armstrong, Director-General of the Medical Department of the Navy; Dr. F. Wetzig, formerly Staff-Surgeon in the Hanoverian Army; Dr. Dalrymple, M.P. for Bath; Mr. De la Garde, Exeter; Mr. S. Wood, Shrewsbury; Mr. T. Turner and Mr. G. Southam, of Manchester; Mr. Bartlet, Ipswich; Mr. Swain, Devonport; Mr. Paget, Leicester; Mr. Wiblin, Southampton; Dr. Morris, Spalding; etc. After the usual loyal toasts, the toast of "The Army, Navy, and Volunteers," was responded to by Dr. Mackenzie for the Army, Dr. Armstrong for the Navy, and Mr. P. H. Bird for the Volunteers. "The Medical Council" was proposed by Dr. Lush, M.P.; "The Provincial Medical Schools," by Mr. Solly. Among other toasts, that of "The Chairman" was proposed by Mr. Paget.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentleman passed his examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received his certificate to practise, on Thursday, June 30th, 1870.

Willmore, Frederick William, Walsall

The following gentlemen also on the same day passed their first professional examination.

Fordham, John William, London Hospital
James, Cyrus, London Hospital
Richards, John Edward, University College
Stafford, Thomas, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Tudge, James McDougal, Guy's Hospital
Wilson, Samuel, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are announced:—

ANDERSON'S UNIVERSITY, Glasgow—Professor of Scientific Chemistry: applications, 15th.
BASINGSTOKE UNION—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for District No. 5: applications, 14th; election, 15th.
BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND FREE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN—Resident Medical Officer: applications, 21st; election, 25th.
BIRMINGHAM LUNATIC ASYLUM—Assistant Medical Officer: applications, 14th.
BRIGHTON AND HOVE DISPENSARY—Physician.
BRIGHTON AND HOVE PROVIDENT DISPENSARY—Consulting Medical Officer.
CENTRAL LONDON OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road—Assistant-Surgeon: applications, 14th.
CHARING CROSS HOSPITAL—Assistant-Surgeon: applications, 12th.
HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Soho Square—Surgeon: applications, 9th.
INFIRMARY FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST, Margaret Street, Cavendish Square—Visiting Physician: applications, 20th.
LEEDS PUBLIC DISPENSARY—Surgeon: applications, 16th.
LINCOLN GENERAL DISPENSARY—House-Surgeon.
LIVERPOOL ROYAL INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon: applications, 19th.
LIVERPOOL ROYAL INFIRMARY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE—Demonstrator of Anatomy: applications, 9th.
MALE LOCK HOSPITAL—House-Surgeon: applications, 15th; vacancy, Aug. 1.
MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL—Lecturer on the Principles and Practice of Surgery; Surgeon; Assistant-Surgeon: August 25th.
NORTHAMPTON GENERAL INFIRMARY—Assistant House-Surgeon: applications, 9th; election, 19th.
OSWESTRY DISPENSARY—Secretary and Dispenser: applications, 11th.
ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN, Manchester—Two Medical Officers: applications, 15th.
ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL FOR STONE, etc.—House-Surgeon.
STANLEY HOSPITAL, Liverpool—Physician; Surgeon: applications, 11th; election, 13th.
WORCESTER INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon's Assistant and Dispenser: applications, 14th.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENT.

Names marked with an asterisk are those of Members of the Association

*ADAMS, T. Rutherford, M.D., appointed Surgeon to the Convalescent Hospital at Croydon, in connection with the North Eastern Hospital for Sick Children, London.

BIRTH.

WATSON.—On June 27th, at Tottenham, the wife of *W. Tyndale Watson, M.D., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

*ELLIS, Joseph Rhodes, Esq., Surgeon, Mirfield, to Harriet Wooler, daughter of the late Charles Wooler, Esq., of Mirfield, on June 30th.
GEORGE, the Rev. Hereford Brooke, eldest son of *R. F. George, Esq., of Bath, to Alice Bourdillon, youngest daughter of W. Cole Cole, Esq., Highfield, Exmouth, on June 30th.

DEATHS.

*INGRAM, W. G. L., Esq., Surgeon, of Midhurst, Sussex, on board the *Celt*, bound to the Cape of Good Hope, aged 47, on April 4th.
*LAMBEN, Henry, Esq., Surgeon, at Rippingale, aged 46, on June 25th.

TESTIMONIAL.—A handsome silver claret-jug and salver were presented lately to Mr. Holman of Hurstpierpoint, by the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Cuckfield Union, on behalf of the members of the Board and those interested in the welfare of the poor. Mr. Holman has resigned the care of the poor of District No. 4 of the Cuckfield Union, whom he has attended for more than fifty years.

BEQUESTS, ETC.—Miss Emma Lea, of Dublin, bequeathed £100 each to the Adelaide Hospital, the Meath Hospital, and the Hospital for Incurables in that city.—The Marquis of Westminster has given £100 towards the reduction of the debt of £621 owing by the Chester General Infirmary.—John Penn, Esq., has given 200 guineas to the Royal Kent Dispensary, Greenwich.—The Norwich Society for the Relief of the Sick Poor has received a legacy of £200 under the will of Miss Brownson.—The Earl of Rosebery has given £50 to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, £25 to the Jenny Lind Infirmary for Sick Children of Norwich, and £25 to the Norwich Dispensary.—Mr. Chas. Meeking has given £50 to the Farringdon General Dispensary and Lying-in Charity.